A COUNCIL AMONG THE RED MEN

Something About That Interesting Institution.

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among the Indians are and will soon cease altogether. Some years ago, in the month of November, I was ordered by the Department Commander to Agency, near the Yellowstone River, and

who had just come in from a successful buffalo

The conical-shaped buffalo-skin lodges dotted the stream for miles, and great herds of the plains in that region. This was before many whites had moved in, and there was a good deal of Indian life to be seen in all its native wildness. But few half-breeds resided smong them, though some men, like Pierre Shane, were with them who could speak English, which was very necessary.

stockade, and there was one fieldpiece inside, while we are on the war-path." which could be used when required against the Sioux, who sometimes made inroads into this had seen many indians before, but had never been in one of their villages as a resident,

My tent was on the banks of the creek, and although the ice formed in the stream, which was not deep, among the rocks and dry weeds, the Indians had no hesitation about lying down in bank. They felt the cold no more than so have no doubt they were excellent swimmers, | ing, and, in fact, take care of everything. their daily avocations, being noble specimens of the Indian race.

years of age. He was a resolute person, and it does among the whites, and Iron Bull owned many ponies, and had plenty of buffalo-meat; for this was before the buffaloes had all been killed off. He knew the whole country from the Wind River Mountains to the Missouri feel the power of his hand for evil. His daughter had just died, and he was almost inconsolakilled several of his ponies, in the excess of his sorrow. This, added to the fact that a war | ful with them. party had just returned from the Sioux country, where they had been unfortunate enough to have a Crow warrior killed, threw the whole and deposited with great pomp and ceremony on a raised platform, so that everyone could at the hands of the Chevennes, though in the been tortured to death in the most horrible

Through the livelong night they sang, the squaws leading, and gashed themselves with knives, at the same time tearing out great handfuls of hair, and daubing pitch over their faces, which it is the custom to leave on until it wears off. The songs are of the most doleful description, and sound gloomy enough in the disturb them, however, having things their own way. In the excess of their grief the and went about bleeding and in great pain. There was plenty of buffalo-meat in their lodges, and over 6,000 robes, so there was little danger of their coming to want; and it is safe to say that they fully realized their season of grief and made the most of it.

The head men of these mountain bravesfor there is another band called the River Crows, who were not represented-were Bear's Ear, Winking Eyes, Iron Bull, The Coat, White Swan, and Blackfoot. On account of the smoky condition of his lodge, one of them had a severe case of inflamed eyes, and on that account was called Winking Eyes, who was said to be a man of excellent judgment and a good hunter. He was a good friend of the whites, which friendship he had manifested on several occasions, when his services were useful. The whites, as well as the Crow Indians, in an early day had a wholesome dread of the Sioux, or Dakotas, who were a very powerful tribe, and on more than one occasion joined their forces against them.

The Crows have an undying hatred toward the Sioux, and often go on long journeys into the Sionx country and commit what havoc they can, killing men, women, and children, and taking what horses they find. This warfare has been kept up for many years, and the country has been laid waste by them, so far as they were able to do it, in a land which at best had but few improvements. The cornfields were destroyed, together with the melon and squash vines.

For weeks they waited for an opportunity hear some Sioux village, being concealed in some undergrowth or bushes, and when least expected swooped down, and then in the darkness departed, taking what scalps they could with them. They traveled a great deal by for an appropriation of \$98,000. night, so as not to be discovered, leaving as little sign behind them as they were able, so that ing the finnes or smoke would lead to their

Sometimes they suffered great want and hardship. They were exposed to all of the vicissitudes of the weather without shelter, and frequently had insufficient food. They did not take their dogs with them, fearing they would betray them, and passed over the country like the veriest shadows. As a matter of fact, the Indians of North America have left | H., was entirely destroyed by fire and 44 of very little impress upon the land. They once | the inmates burned to death. owned it all, but were contented to hunt and fish over it, caring nothing for permanent 130 by 35 feet, and burned like tinder, only works. Their wars were carried on with terri- three of the inmates, Rose Sanborn, James ble earnestness and great cruelty. They spared | Dailey and Frank Ducharme, were rescued from not, and swept everything before them that it | the blazing structure. was possible for them to do. Rarely did they burn anything, being afraid they would themselves be discovered by the light.

received, and did not give universal satisfaction | been indicted and convicted 19 people in the to the redmen, the Government at that time | United States Courts in Texas in connection believing it would be best to teach them to with the Garza raids for violations of the neuwear such clothing as white men wore. The | trality laws. Most of the men convicted are hats and coats they accepted readily enough, as | now serving out their sentences in the Detroit is their custom, but the trowsers received singu- (Mich.) Penitentiary. In all, over 150 indictlar treatment, and the stockings were sold to ments have been found. whoever would purchase them for a mere song. The calico frocks for the squaws were also accepted, but they were a poor substitute for the buckskin clothing worn by them in that rigprons climate.

soon evident that they were in no hurry for over to Capt. Brown, the agent, who will dethe main meeting, and they put it off, on one liver them to the United States Marshal. pretext or another, as long as they could. This was somewhat singular, as there is nothing so Two Strike, who was wounded, are all who dear to an Indian's heart as a council, where participated in the murder. they can air their eloquence and establish a food standing among their fellow-warriors. They like the delay, as it adds to their importance, and is a most welcome thing to all con-

They have more time than anything else. They strut about in all the dignity of a blan- his words good.

ket, paint and feathers, and are wonderfully impressed with their own importance. They cut a great figure before their fellow-men, and are not at all behindhand in praising themselves and their own valor and achievements.

Their bravery in the field and their success in the hunting-grounds are favorite topics, and it must be confessed that at times they seem to be wonderfully in earnest. The scenes through

They felt very independent, having an abundance of meat, and seemed ready to engage in anything. At length the day of the council arrived, and Pierre Shane acted as interpreter. Iron Bull took no part in the council, being absorbed in his sorrow. The Coat made several speeches in the council-house, which was a large room inside of the agency. After the pipe had been passed round and everybody had taken a whist, The Coat said he wished the becoming more rare, Great Father at Washington, meaning the President, would visit them and look closely into their condition and wants. The goods, he said, were well enough, perhaps, but were not

fitted for the wants of his people.
"The Great Father," said he, "does not know us and does not understand our peculiar go to the Crow Indian | condition. He sends men among us who try to a talkative mood. He had been in a reserved | since." please us, but who do not know our ways. state all the evening, and the question was put What is good for a white man is not good for to draw him out, and perhaps afford those who witness the distribu- an Indian. We are not yet ready to give up | were present an opportunity of seeing and heartion of annuity goods our ways of dressing, nor are we willing to live | ing him at his best. Mr. Webster seemed to to the Indians them- in log-cabins like the white settlers. We want | ponder the question for a moment, and then selves. The weather to be free to move our lodges out under the glancing around the table, as if scanning the was quite cold, but we found no difficulty in shadow of the Big Horn Mountains, or to go faces of all present, in a voice and manner so going over from Fort Ellis to the site of an down the Yellowstone River, where the deer impressive as to be almost startling, said: old fort built by the whites, and thence to and antelope are, whenever we feel disposed to "The greatest thought that ever addressed it-Boulder Creek, a tributary of the Yellowstone, do so, without being hindered by anyone or be- | self to my mind is, What are my personal re- | time. along which were encamped some 3,000 savages | ing tied to a cabin. Our people own this land, and have owned it for many seasons before the white men came here.

"Our fathers lived on this land, and we know where their burial-places are along the mountponies grazed on the dry grass which grows on ain-sides. We know where they fell when less than amazement, almost in awe. When fighting against the Sioux, and for every one lost by us we made our enemies suffer. We treacherous cut-throats (meaning the Sioux), The agency buildings were surrounded by a us and give shelter to our women and children

country, and was kept always in readiness. I | them started, and once having accomplished | their minds, and there it lived forever. that object it seemed as if they would never stop. The annuity goods were hauled over where I could observe all of their habits and | two or three times, the red men being as par- | this was the denomination he joined. He was for them; but their value seemed to disappear family or lodge, and then the squaws came in, the water and washing themselves every moru- and they were moved at once. There is no end repeated page after page of the Book of Job. ing, leaving their buckskin garments on the of the work which the squaws can do, and the He regarded the Bible as the greatest of all Indian men keep them steadily at it. They dig | tooks. Laying his hand upon the Bible as he many beavers, and appeared thoroughly to en- the ground for planting, build the fences, such entered the parlor of a friend he was visiting in other books. To the day of his death he rejoy the stimulating effects of the chilled water. as they are, and in Autumn gather the crops. Rochester, N. Y., he said with emphasis: "This membered and practiced what his parents Their dark, brawny forms were shown to the | They put up and take down the lodges, take | is THE BOOK-the greatest of all!" His views | taught him. best advantage at these times, and although I care of the horses, dress the skins, do the cook- were liberal and broad; his faith deep and last-

ment. The dark masses of their hair they | though they hunt and fish to supply the family. | matters. When he entered the church at | mediate friends, and then turned his thoughts | (Dorothy Doolittle), 41 Dwight street, Jersey shook out gracefully on coming ashore, and They love to talk, and it must be confessed that Marshfield his manner was that of one who felt exclusively on the subject of eternity, which City, N. J. after drying themselves well went on about the practice makes them good talkers. They that he was treading a holy place. He attended had engaged so much of his attention through-The head man at that time among the Crows | less it has been thoroughly talked over in | hymns usually sung in the New England was Iron Bull, who was between 40 and 50 | council. The head men have but little influ- | churches. The sermons that most pleased him bad been a successful warrior for many years. born leaders among them. When a war party duty to his Maker. It was his wont, after list hat all papers which see it will publish it: Shrewdness among the red men pays as well as | starts out it is customary to seek recruits, but | tening to a plain sermon by a sincere preacher the least thing will turn them back, and if they earthly power can prevent them.

River, and had accompanied many a foray into trail of animals, the howling of dogs, all have delivered it with the expectation of special the lands of the Sioux, where he made them a meaning to them, and they obey their own commendation from Mr. Webster, but was sketch of their service, to the Adjutant-Genble in his grief. He burned his skin tent and | ing more nor less than a bag worn round their | young preacher. Mr. Webster once referred to | of the 'Vermont Roll of Honor,' in process of necks, filled with small charms, and is all-power-

They seem to be generous enough, but woe be village into mourning. The body of Iron forward on every occasion, and makes the reare always ready to share what they have. In | clared that the simple words of the sermon imsee it. The Crow warrior who had lost his life | and the lean part bread, and they have a | ever listened to. wonderful capacity for disposing of both. In bloux country, was also disposed of according to old times their only drink was water, and the can get coffee they are remarkably fond of it, well sweetened with sugar.

After the council a large buffalo-skin was cold weather they had placed their lodges as well in the bushes as they could get them, to party had met with some bad luck, they overno way anxious about the future.

Work of the Pension Office.

During the week ending Feb. 4, 1893, 2,916 claims were received, of which those filed for service since March 4, 1861, under acts prior to that of Jan. 29, 1887, were 129 original invalid, 179 original widows, 14 bounty land, 15 navy, 179 accrued, and 683 applications for increase; filed under act Jan. 27, 1887, Mexican war, 10 under act June 27, 1890, 510 original invalid 260 original widows; applications for increase under same act, 476; under act July 27, 1892, Indian wars, 71; under act Aug. 5, 1892, Army Nurses, 21; prior applications under former acts and under act June 27, 1890, 366.

Number of claims received to date under act of June 27, 1890, 872,064. Claims disposed of to date under said act, 565,390. Number of rejected claims reopened, 363, The names and postoffice addresses of 5,643

comrades were furnished for the use of claimants. There were 61,385 pieces of mail matter received; 38,194 letters and blanks sent out. Number of cases detailed to Special Examiners, 460; reports and cases from Special Examiners, 403; cases on hand for special examina-

Report of certificates issued: Original, 3,454; ncrease, 658; accrued, 114; total, 4,226. Total number of claims pending, 753,943. Number of pensioners on roll Jan. 31, 1893, 941,234.

Hunting More Money. Mrs. Potter Palmer and Mrs. Ralph Trautman have come to Washington to appear before the Senate Committee on Appropriations. The Lady Managers of the World's Fair have asked

President T. W. Palmer, Secretary Dickinson, John Boyd Thatcher, Col. J. W. St. Clair, they could with difficulty be followed. They George V. Massey, and John T. Harris will apnever on these expeditions built any fires, fear- pear before the committee for the Nation Commission, which wants \$125,000 for its expenses and about \$500,000 more for paying

juries' awards. A Holocaust. The worst holocaust that ever happened in Stafford County occurred last week, when the Insane Asylum of Stafford County workhouse, about four miles out of the city of Dover, N.

The building was a two-story wooden affair,

Garza Revolutionists Convicted.

Attorney-General Miller has had prepared a The annuity goods for the Crows had been statement which shows that so far there have

Successful Indian Police.

The Secretary of the Interior has received a telegram from Inspector Cisney, at Pine Ridge, stating that Young-Man-Afraid-of-His-Horse, Several assemblages or councils took place with his people, had captured two of the murwhile the distribution was going on, but it was | derers of the cowboys and had turned them These, with the two who were killed, and

> Impossible. [Yankee Blade.]

Dora-Jimpson vowed with oaths that he'd marry Jessie. Cora-Then, if he used oaths, he can't make

WEBSTER'S

which they have passed are wonderfully well depicted and the defeat of an enemy aptly desonal Responsibilities to God.

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HEN he was at the zenith of his career, Mr. Webster was asked, at a moment when he was one of a mixed and umerous company, hought that ever ad- | in and be seated. lressed itself to his

sponsibilities to God?" And then for 20 minutes he proceeded to speak to the question as only-it seemed to those who heard him-he could speak. Not a word was uttered by anyone else. All listened in silence and in little Mr. Webster had concluded, he arose, bowed to the company and then retired to another room, have been able to hold our ground against the | where he remained alone. When he had gone, the gentlemen, among whom were some who and can give them as warm a meeting as they stood in the front rank of the first minds in desire, in the mountains or on the level ground. | the land, could hardly find words with which All we want is to have the white men stand by | to make known how deeply they were impressed with the grandeur of Mr. Webster's exposition of the question that had been put to And so the head men went on, telling over | him by his friends. The discourse-for this it | and over the same story. It was hard to get | was in the highest sense-was preserved only in | continually of Colby's conversion. He declared Mr. Webster's parents were orthodox Con-

gregationalists, and when he came to manhood ticular as if they were paying the highest price | early taught to read the Bible, and in after years read it through many times. Much of it immediately after they got possession of them. he could repeat, the Psaims and the writings of an observance was no less binding than the one They were parcelled out, so much for each | the Apostles being among his favorite parts. No one who heard him ever forgot the way he ing. Nothing so much displeased him as narthey had no chance to show off this accomplish- The bucks are too dignified to do any labor, rowness, ignorance, and superstition in religious dearly love their council fires, for nothing of | to all the observances of the church, and much importance can be done among them un- would frequently join in singing the good old ence, though there have been some natural- were those that impressed him with a sense of inculcating man's duty to his God, to tarry after have once made up their minds to return no | the services and thank the preacher for the | Army and Navy, United States Colored Troops, words spoken. He would go miles to hear such They are great believers in witchcraft, and a sermon. Once he listened to one of the in signs and omens. The flight of birds, the | flowery, ambitious kind by a young man who caprices. Then, too, they have great faith in | sorely disappointed, as Mr. Webster offered charms, and their medicine bag, which is noth- | none, and did not even tarry to speak to the | opportunity, in order that they may be notified a sermon preached by a plain, pious man, in a compilation, which will contain a series of plain church, to a congregation of plain people. Taking his text from the Book of Job, the min- | who served as soldiers and sailors in the civil unto anyone who receives anything from them, | ister began by saying: "A man can die but | war of 1861-'66, and in which it is desired to for the obligation never ceases. It is brought once." Commenting on it, Mr. Webster said: "I never before had the serious truth so brought | in the war of the rebellion." Bull's daughter was wrapped in costly fors | cipient heart-sick. They are hospitable, and | home to me that I must die at all." And he de-

It cannot be said that in any sense did Mr. their customs. They had killed six Cheyenne | Crow Indians had, and still have, very little | disposed rather, whenever religion was the | relatives and friends, in future years, and it is adults and captured four children, who had | liking for spiritous liquors; though when they | topic, to confine himself to man's personal re- | hoped that the above notice may reach as many sponsibilities to his Creator, which, apparently, as possible. with him was the greatest of all questions. He was always prompt to say, whenever it was purchased from the Indians, and a general appropriate, that he was a believer in the Scripleave-taking gone through with. There was an | tures, and advise others to study them as the abundance of fuel near the camp, and in the greatest code of morals ever laid down for man. Mr. Webster's visit to John Colby in New keep off the biting wind. All things consid- his half-sister, is described by Mr. Harvey, to weeks. It is probable that the indictment darkness of the night. They had no one to | ered they had prospered, and though the war- | show Mr. Webster's estimate of the importance | against Supreme Cashier Davis will be nolled, of a religious life in others. Colby was such a lowing to the failure to secure the extradition looked it and seemed satisfied. The present wicked man that Mr. Webster would have of the Somerby crowd. bucks cut off the first joint of their fingers, gave them much enjoyment, and they were in | nothing to do with him, though in the main, it was thought at the time that his half-sister had done well in marrying him. For this reason the two had lost sight of each other for many years. The marriage took place when Mr. Webster was young, and known as "Little Black Dan." Colby was wicked in no single particular, but in nearly every way, without being positively criminal. He was profane, disre-Mr. Webster heard that Colby, after many years | all concerned.

of such a life, had been converted, and was leading a Christian life, at his old home, was a member of the church, and altogether a changed man.

Mr. Webster determined to visit Colby, who resided many miles distant from where Webster was then staying. Asking Harvey to go with him, the two started to drive to John Colby's farm. As they journeyed Mr. Webster expatiated on Colby's wickedness and religious matters in general. His discourse embraced the entire scope of the religious question as a practical one, and all men, said Mr. Webster, should contemplate it. As he was thus speaking of it they neared the place where Colby lived. Stopping to tie the horse a short distance away, they walked toward the house, nearing which they saw Colby with his family seated in a front room, there being no hall or other obstruction to the view. Colby was a large man with an imposing presence; though 85 years old lie had the appearance of a man not over 60. As Webster neared the house Colby could see him approaching. Rising he what was the greatest advanced, and bade him and his friend to come

"You are John Colby," said Webster. "You mind? Mr. Webster at | don't know who I am ! Years ago you married the moment was not in | my half-sister, and we have been strangers ever Whereunon Colby exclaimed: "You, Web-

ster; the little 'Black Dan' we used to see?' "The very same," said Webster. "Bless me!" continued Colby, "I don't know what to say; but sit down, gentlemen, you are welcome to anything I have." And then he proceeded: "You, Daniel Webster, I read about; the great man so much is printed

about," and he went on in this way for some

Suddenly checking himself, he said: "Yes, you are a great man; but are you a good man? Do you love the Lord Jesus Christ? That's the question."

Then Webster told Colby that he had heard of his (Colby's) conversion; that he was no longer the wicked man that he used to be, and it was for that reason he had come to visit him. As for himself, he said, he tried to live a religious life, and to love the Lord Jesus Christ. Then the two conversed a long time on the importance of a religious life. It ended in Colby's asking Webster to pray. Whereupon they all knelt, and Webster offered a prayer

which only he could make. Returning homeward, Mr. Wobster talked many times that it could be regarded as nothing less than a miracle; for certainly, said he, the change of so great a sinner to a gentle, Godfearing Christian could be nothing less. Mr. Webster was a rigid observer of the Sabbath. He held that the commandment requiring such prohibiting murder or any crime for which severe penalties have been enacted. In this respect his home education had been as thorough as in all other respects, as to his duty to God and men, and which placed the Bible above all

It is related of Mr. Webster that in his last illness, conscious that his end was approaching, he dictated his will and a few words to his imout the whole of his public career.

Attention, Vermonters!

Adj't-Gen. Peck, of Vermont, has requested us to publish the following notice, and hopes "All Vermonters who served with the troops from the State of Vermont in the Regular and in organizations from other States, or the relatives and friends of deceased soldiers, are requested to send the names, rank and organizations in which they served, with a short eral's office at Burlington, Vt., at their earliest illustrated biographical sketches of Vermonters have the record of every Vermonter who served

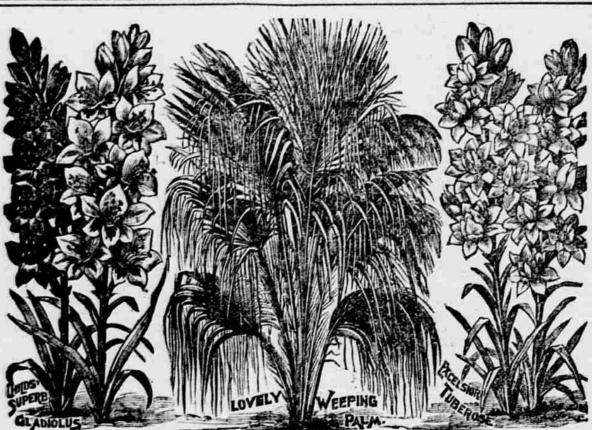
Gen. Peck finds it almost impossible to get a correct list of Vermonters residing outside of their lodges the fat of an animal is called meat, | pressed him more profoundly than any he had the State, but he hopes in this way to receive many responses to his request. The "Vermont" Roll of Honor," of which he speaks, will be of Webster proselyte his views. He was most the greatest interest to Vermont soldiers, their

> The Iron Hall Case Advanced. The Supreme Court of Indiana has granted

the joint motion of attorneys in the Iron Hall litigation to advance the case on docket. The order admits the pressing necessity of an early Hampshire, who many years before married | decision, which may now be expected in a few

Trying the Detroit.

The new cruiser Detroit was given a trial trip in Baltimore by her builders for the purpose of testing her machinery, steering-gear and general behavior. As a result, the builders have little doubt that the vessel will far exceed the specified speed rate of 17 knots an hour. The members of the Columbian Iron Works Comgarded the Sabbath, sought the society of bad pany are highly pleased with the new craft, men rather than good ones, broke the com- and assert that on her official trip, to be held in mandments generally and defied public opinion. | the near future, she will prove satisfactory to



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RHYMED ANSWER TO NO. 676.

I married her, dear fellow, and, howe'er Your poorly-feigned contentment you declare, Rage splenetic-that she you so adored Preferred another for her liege and lord-Is plain in each line you have written there.

Well are your readers as myself aware FOND happiness were yours beyond compare Could you but on your MSS, record "I married her."

'Tis true (though it is scarcely your affair), She is a wife with temper none to spare: But, when I think that at next door you board-Where I was once one of the starving horde-Well, I am very, very glad, I swear, I married her!

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES IN NO. 70. 659-The old year. 657-Scared. ANEGADA OVERRAN LEANDER LENIENT ARIOSTI AGNELLI GADLING ADELNAU RANTIER SARIGUE ANTIARS 661-Fan-on. 663-C-old. HAT MONGREL CERÁMIC HANDORGAN AARONICAL GASGOVERNOR ISLANDNOTEN TERREMOTE SEMINOLES BICOLOR REGROWS LANTS CATER

Authors of the above; M. C. S., A Crostic, Violet, X. L. C. R., Beech Nut, Ed Ward, Iron Mask, and Eugene, in numerical order.

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Complete lists of correct answers were received from X. L. C. R., Xiphias, Jo Muslins, Assero, and Incomplete lists from Alexander, H. Jay Beech, See Deevee, M. C. S., Jack O'Lantern, T. Hinker, Wm. Emerson, Dame D., Dorothy Doolittle, A. Crostic, Axul, Allan, Eugene, Anna Koe, Red Leaf, E. M. T., Holly, Joel H. Hint, Arty Fishel, Nypho, Brom Bones, Empty, Rex Ford, Sioux, Ninety Three, Ray O'Sunshine, Pennsyldelphia, White Plume, L. H. Fagan, Beech Nut, Cloves, Lalla Rookh, Remardo, J. W. Blair, J. S. Soldner, Lucrezius Borgers, J. A. Balcom, Wm. Herman, Palmetto, Bison, Roland, Pat. Riot, Serpeggiando, Ysabel, Geo. E. Brown, Grace Reed, M. A. G., Diana, Rokeby, Miss Chief, Lucle, Harry, S. Payne, Aspiro, Stocles, Jo. Urnal, Will I. Am, Mascotte, Ann O'Possum, Waldemar, Ellsworth, 2 E. Z., Iron Mask, Mrs. G. P. C., and Liza Goodeal, 65 -TOTAL, 70. PRIZE WINNERS: W. C. Beck (Bison), 105 Cottage street, Buffalo, N. Y., and Miss Edith V. Kreiner

> NEW PUZZLES-NO. 76. NO. 714-CHARADE.

[Ballade a la double refrain.] (To Dorothy Doolittle.) Where is surcease from life's pains? Where can weary hearts find rest? In dim dreamland's fabled plains, In the cloudland of the West? Is there calm for souls distressed In life's ONES disconsolate, There beyond the crimson crest, Past the sunset's golden gate?

Mingled in our earthly strains There is always grief repressed-Is there sound of glad refrains In the cloudland of the West? LAST of heart, start then in quest, Till life's over do not wait. Seek the cloudy eastles blest, Past the sunset's golden gate.

Is there place where shadow wanes, Where no sorrow is confessed, Where a perfect gladness reigns, In the cloudland of the West? Let us journey onward, lest Moments pass and wild-eyed Fate Seek for some severer test Past the sunset's golden gate.

Were we TOTAL it were best. In the cloudland of the West; Yet perchance the road is straight Past the sunset's golden gate. -BEECH NUT, Newburg, N. Y.

L'Envoi.

NOS. 715-16-DIAMONDS. 1. A letter. 2. A limit. 3. Town of India, 4. ongeals. 5. Brassicaceous plants of many varieties. 6. Scottish name for the devil. (Fiction.) 7. A proprietor of a large estate. S. To rest again. 9. Bristies. 10, A respectful title. 11. A letter.

1. A letter. 2. A river of Wales. 3. Done in silence. 4. A denomination of Seventh-day Bap-tists. 5. A heavy mineral of an iron black color. 6. Characters in an ancient nursery song. (Fiction.) 7. Any temporary fortification thown up by an army. 8. Kinds of triangular harps. 9. Seditious uproars. 10. A large deer. 11. A letter.
-X. L. C. R., Lyons, N. Y.

NO. 717-DECAPITATION. Away! away! the ice gleams bright, The lake's broad shores spread, robed in white, Where wind-tossed pines Two sighing; And over Erie's prisoned tide Our trusty ice-boats swiftly glide, The swiftest steeds outvying-

Away! with laughter, jest and shout, While many a challenge bold rings out, For youth is ever during; Who first shall curve round yonder isle, Shall win sweet Lydia's fav'ring smile, A guerdon past comparing. Away! away!

Away! away!

Away! ah, tell me who can find Such sport on shores we left behind-Such keen and PRIMAL pleasure. Speed on, with gayly-swelling sail; Speed on, exultant with the gale. While hearts beat happy measure-

Away! away! -VIOLET, Davenport, Iowa,

NOS. 718-19-SQUARES. 1. Asmall European hawk. 2. Outermost. 3. Pupils of the eye. 4. Merchants. 5. A quit-claim. 5. American poet and essayist, b. 1803. 7. Weak

1. Ventured confidently. 2. Florentine musician and composer, 16th and 17th century. 3. To sustain. 4. P. O., Marathon County, Wis. 5. Italian musician and composer, 1692-1770. 6. Agents. 7. Italian antiquary and philologist, 1724-1808. -X. L. C. R., Lyons, N. Y.

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CHAT WITH CONTRIBUTORS.

A couple of typographical errors occurred in

Mystery, No. 74. "On" was printed "in," in

the last line of Puzzle 704, and the words "one

of" were omitted immediately before "Puzzledom's," in the second line of Chat with Contributors.- Ernest proposes to issue a Puzzler's Directory, and wishes to hear from each of our readers who takes an interest in this department. Send your name, nom de plume, and full address to Ernest W. Ager, Nash, Mass., for insertion in this book .- Mrs. G. P. C. sent a list of answers to No. 69 too late for proper acknowledgment .- Prize winners in our holiday competition will be announced next week .- Speaking of prizes and prizewinners reminds us that H. S. Nut offered several valuable inducements to the readers of Perplexities a year or more ago, but no awards have as yet been made. Three or four weeks since he announced that the winners' names would appear next week, but somehow that time has not arrived. Wake up, friend Snow !--We hear indirectly that A. L. S., of South Weymouth, Mass., one of our brightest lady versifiers, is dangerously ill, and that no hopes are entertained for her recovery. We sincerely trust

devotee. - Contributions have recently been received and accepted from Ernest, Ed Ward. G. Race, Lizzie A. Jackson, Remardo, X. L. C. R., Iron Mask, A. L. S., Alexander, and Nyas .--Our solvers' list this week reaches well up toward the century mark, and we are grateful to our friends for their support. Many new names are enrolled, and we shall be happy to have them with us regularly.

R. O. CHESTER.

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A Few Good Ones on Gen. Bu ler. [New York Tribune.] Once, while he was in Congress, he divided

his time with a fellow-member when a question in which he was not specially interested came up for debate. The member talked more than his share, and on being called to order remarked: "Mr. Speaker, Gen. Butler kindly divided his time with me." "That's true." Butler replied. "but I didn't divide eternity with you." The General was present one night at a dancing party, but contented himself with

One of the belles invited him to waltz with her, and on his declining, with a pretty compliment, she inquired: "Don't you ever dance, General?" "No," he explained to her, "1 make other people dance."

Undertaking to talk down a crowd of street rioters, he had an apple thrown at him. Putting out his hand he dexterously caught it, and interrupted his remarks long enough to eat it. The incident pleased the rioters, and he was given a hearing. The next day one of the newspapers of the city in which the riot occurred mischievously rallied him on eating the apple, reminding him that it probably reached him from a very disty hand. The General sent a card to the newspaper

saying: "I peeled that apple before eating it. I always peel apples before eating them, don't you?" During the war a young fellow had occasion

to call upon him in Boston in behalf of a lyceum which wanted him to lecture before it. The General received the youth with great clined the invitation. "I am in the employ of the United States," said he. "I have no lecture prepared, and to write one, which I would be willing to deliver before your lyceum, would take me considerable time. Now, do you think I would be treating the United States fairly if I took the time?" This question proved too much for the young fellow. The General bowed him out of his office with the kindly assurance that if he ever saw his way clear for doing so, he would write and deliver the lecture in accordance with his request.

Grant Breaks Up a Game of Poker. [Chicago Tribune.]

"Gen. Grant once interfered in a most unwarranted and arbitrary manner with a poker game that was paying me a big profit," said Andrew Danner. "It was shortly after the battle of Shiloh, and we Confeds were feeling pretty badly down in the mouth. I was on the advance picket-line one bright moonlight night, and the Yanks had a post only a few hundred yards away. We shot at each other until we got tired of the sport, then we swapped newspapers, coffee, and tobacco. A dare-devil young Yankee Corporal walked right into our post, sat down on a log as unconcerned as you please, and asked us if we knew how to play draw poker. Did we? We rather thought we did. Had we any greenbacks? A few. Then he pulled out a deck of cards and we sat down to play. Pretry soon another Yank came over, then another, until there were six of 'em, and we all joined in and played a wide-open game, forgetting that the cruel war was not

"Luck came my way, and I soon had everybody but the Yankee Corporal broke. The watching the game, when there came that ugly 'c-l-i-c k ick' so familiar to the soldier's ear. We looked up, and there stood a Yankee Ser- Write to-day geant with four men, their muskets cocked. 'Members of the 49th, consider yourselves under arrest,' said the Sergeant. 'Oh, come now, Sergeant,' the Corporal began, when a horseman reined up behind the guard, and he concluded, 'Gen. Grant, by hokey!' The bluecoats got up looking like a lot of whipped schoolboys, and saluted their Commander, who eved them as sternly as a sphinx. They filed in front of the guard and started for the camp. When their backs were turned on him, Grant removed the eigar from his mouth, and, with a cynical smile, asked the Confederate nearest him: 'Who's ahead?' 'Oh, we're ahead,' replied the defender of the Stars and Bars. Those champs you've brought down here can't play poker a little bit. 'But they can fight, General,' I remarked. 'Have to, sometimes,' said Grant, dryly, and rode awey."

Who was to Blame? [Bauern-Kalender.] Wife (to her husband)-I say, my dear, how badly the tailor has put this button on your waistcoat! This is the fifth time I have had to

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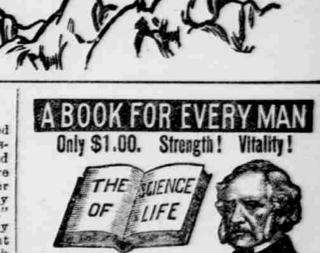
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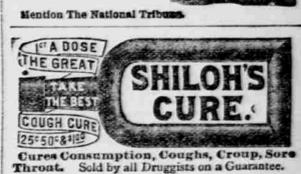


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